

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting

December 22, 2021

Present: Rebecca Wood, Chairman; Roy Hubert, Commissioner; Joann Rutler, Commissioner present via telephone; Lynn Nebeker, Clerk for Minutes.

4:00 p.m. Chairman Wood opened the meeting and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action Item

Commerce Broadband Grant Signature:

Chairman Wood certified that the project meets the original design; the build has been completed; the design and installation conforms to all applicable federal, state, and local requirements; the installed infrastructure will provide the service level stated in the application; and the broadband service is operational and ready to use.

Lincoln County received a short-term broadband grant from the state of Idaho. There was approximately a 4-month window to complete the project. Lincoln was awarded just over \$1.5 million ETS to do the broadband project. ETS was hired through an RFP to build out the infrastructure on the grant.

There is currently an RFP out which is due January 3, 2022 to lease the extra space on the infrastructure and broadband going forth with this project.

Jacob Johnson from ETS described the nine certified sites and gave an explanation of the development process and noted the community partners that helped with the project in various ways.

The commissioners and city mayors inspected the connections and sites and certified that the broadband grant is completed. All the grant minutes have been met.

Chairman Wood read the certification statement into the minutes.

Chairman Wood made a motion to certify the State of Idaho Broadband Grant as presented. Commissioner Hubert seconded. Vote unanimous in favor, motion carries.

Commissioners thanked the city mayors, Region IV, and everyone that helped in any way in completing this project.

Georgia with Region IV is working on completing the final documents for the grant packet and ETS is completing reports to be turned in to Department of Commerce. There will be an open house after the first of the year to answer any questions regarding the broadband service.

4:20 p.m. Chairman Wood adjourned meeting.

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Respectfully,

Lynn Nebeker, Clerk for Minutes



Rebecca Wood, Chairman

Attest:



Lynn Nebeker, Deputy Clerk